

Home Going Celebration
of
a Saint
MARVIN BRAZELL SMITH



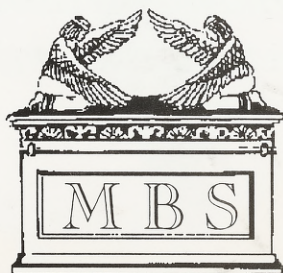
SUNRISE
OCTOBER 13, 1935

SUNSET
OCTOBER 2, 1997

Services Held
Thursday, October 9, 1997
11:00 am

JERUSALEM C.O.G.I.C.
Bishop L.C. Patton, Pastor
1660 McAllister St.
San Francisco, CA

Supt. J.C. Jenkins • Officiating



MARVINS FAVORITE SAYING

"WHY DON'T SOMEBODY LIFT
THOSE HANDS AND GIVE GOD SOME
PRAISE"



PSALMS 107: 8-9

OH, THAT MEN WOULD PRAISE THE LORD FOR
HIS GOODNESS, AND FOR HIS WONDERFUL WORKS
TO THE CHILDREN OF MEN!

FOR HE SATISFIETH THE LONGING SOUL AND
FILLETH THE HUNGRY SOUL WITH GOODNESS.

OBITUARY

Marvin Brazell Smith was born October 13, 1935 to the parents of Thad and Alberta Smith in Frisco, Texas. He was the youngest of four sons. The Smith family moved to California in 1943, and united with McGlothen Temple C.O.G.I.C. Marvin received the Lord as his personal savior at the age of eleven. He grew up in a loving Christian home. He completed his education from Oakland Technical High School. He enlisted into the United States Air Force, where he served four years. While in service, he worked as an Aircraft Mechanic. He was discharged in 1958, and came back to California and worked at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Palo Alto, California as a clinical technician. In 1959, Marvin joined the St. Beulah C.O.G.I.C., and was called to the ministry under the leadership of Pastor Jenkins. He was a ardent worker in his local church.

ELDER SMITH was appointed as the Jr. Church Pastor at St. Beulah, where he served faithfully for ten years. He was a man of Faith. He believed in it, and lived by it. Whenever he was asked how he felt, he would always say "I'm Blessed of the Lord". Keeping a positive attitude was for him a life-style. Elder Smith was an anointed Preacher. He loved to pray for the sick and minister to their needs. Bishop Johnson appointed him President of the Evangelist Department. He served in this department until his health failed. In his illness, he continued to run revivals and minister as long as he was able. He served with dignity and gained the respect of people everywhere.

He leaves to cherish his passing, his devoted wife, Peggy; one daughter, Dana Yvette Smith-Brinson of Atlanta, GA., ; one son, Marvin B. Smith of San Leandro, California; one grandson, Brandon Thomas of Atlanta, GA; three stepchildren, Vivian Smith of Union City, Tanya Barr of Vacaville, CA and Sherry Parr of Sacramento, CA; three brothers, Roy Lee Smith of Roseville, CA., Ernest Smith of Irmo, South Carolina, & Thad Smith of San Francisco, CA; one sister, Judy Cunningham of Cobb Mountain, CA. One brother-in-law, Kevin Cunningham of Cobb Mountain, CA; Two sisters-in-law; Jessie Smith of Roseville, CA; and Joyce Smith of Irmo, South Carolina; mother-in-law, Ethel Smith of Santa Rosa, CA; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends; most of all, his loving church family.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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EXPRESSION PULPIT GUEST
MRS. ELLA RENE IRVING • MRS BETTY WALKER
MRS. BERTHA CRAYTON
SELECTION CHOIR
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WORDS OF COMFORT
TO THE FAMILY BISHOP LAFAR B. JOHNSON
(JURISDICTIONAL SUPERVISOR)
MOTHER VADA TURNER
GREATER ST. BEULAH CHURCH, GREATER FELLOWSHIP
DISTRICT, JURISDICTIONAL EVANGELIST DEPT. CALIFONIA
NORTH EAST JURSIDICTIONAL
ACKNOWLEDGMENT
OF CONDOLENCES DEBBIE HICKS
OBITUARY CONGREGATION
SOLO ELDER JONATHAN LOGAN
"HE GAVE US THE VERY BEST HE HAD"
EULOGY SUPT. J.C. JENKINS
RECESSIONAL

FOOTPRINTS

ONE NIGHT A MAN HAD A DREAM. HE DREAMED HE WAS WALKING ALONG THE BEACH WITH THE LORD. ACROSS THE SKY FLASHED SCENES FROM HIS LIFE FOR EACH SCENE, HE NOTICED TWO SETS OF FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND: ONE BELONGED TO HIM AND THE OTHER TO THE LORD.

WHEN THE LAST SCENE OF HIS LIFE FLASHED BEFORE HIM, HE LOOKED BACK AT THE FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND. HE NOTICED THAT MANY TIMES ALONG THE PATH OF HIS LIFE, THERE WAS ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS. HE ALSO NOTICED THAT IT HAPPENED AT THE VERY LOWEST AND SADDEST TIMES IN HIS LIFE.

THIS REALLY BOTHERED HIM AND HE QUESTIONED THE LORD ABOUT IT. "LORD YOU SAID THAT ONCE I DECIDED TO FOLLOW YOU, YOU'D WALK WITH ME ALL THE WAY, BUT I NOTICED THAT DURING THE MOST TROUBLESOME TIMES IN MY LIFE, THERE IS ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS; I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY WHEN I NEEDED YOU MOST YOU WOULD LEAVE ME."

THE LORD REPLIED, "MY PRECIOUS CHILD, I LOVE YOU, AND WOULD NEVER LEAVE YOU. DURING YOUR TIMES OF TRIALS AND SUFFERING, WHEN YOU SEE ONLY ONE SET OF FOOTPRINTS, IT WAS THEN THAT I CARRIED YOU".



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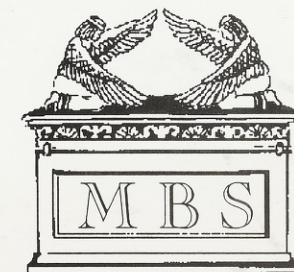
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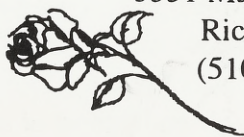
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